

**United States Embassy Juba, South Sudan**  
Security Message for U.S. Citizens  
Potential Risks to Civil Aviation

December 29, 2015

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The United States Embassy informs U.S. citizens about the risks to civil aviation operating in the South Sudan because of the ongoing armed conflict in South Sudan, between the government of South Sudan and opposition and allied groups. In addition, we note that the government of the Republic of South Sudan, in an official press statement released on December 11, 2015, threatened to shoot down aircraft engaged in illicit activities or which violate the country's airspace by failing to properly identify themselves. South Sudan has also recently operationally deployed a strategic radar-guided Strategic Surface-to-Air Missile near Juba. For further background information about FAA flight prohibitions and advisories for U.S. civil aviation, please consult [the Federal Aviation Administration's Prohibitions, Restrictions and Notices](#).

For further information on your travels:

- See the [State Department's travel website](#) for the [Worldwide Caution](#), Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and [Country Specific Information for South Sudan](#).
- Enroll in the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#) to receive security messages and make it easier to locate you in an emergency.
- The U.S. Embassy in South Sudan is located on Kololo Rd next to the EU compound, and is open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Friday. The Embassy is closed on South Sudan and U.S. federal holidays. The after-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is +211 912 105 107 or + 1 202 216 6279 ext 253.
- For current information on safety and security, call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).
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